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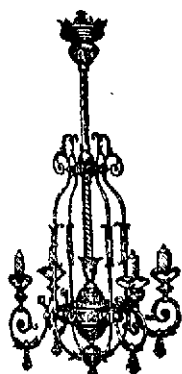
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A PRICE ON HIS HEAD

L. Murphy, a Smooth Forger,
Wanted by the "Chi-
cago Times."

He Did Up Charley Laux for a
Square Meal and then fled.

Two strangers, looking a little seedy and giving their names as L. Murphy and E. A. Hall, registered at the St. Nicholas hotel yesterday, and both got dinner. They hung around the hotel until about 3 o'clock, when they disappeared without paying their bill.

It is learned to-day from a reliable source that L. Murphy is wanted for forgery by the Chicago Times Publishing Co., and that that firm has offered \$1000 reward for his capture. The forgery is said to have netted Murphy \$3000. He got the cash through forging orders for advertising. L. L. Shaw and Edwin Ewing, who have been connected with the Times, and knew Murphy and also knew that he was wanted for forgery, were in the city yesterday. They saw Murphy, and word was sent to Chicago by wire that Murphy was here. This morning a Pinkerton detective, R. L. La Fonce, arrived at the St. Nicholas to take Murphy in charge, but he had disappeared, and could not be located. The accepted theory is that Murphy saw Ewing and Shaw, and feeling that they would give the Times a tip as to his whereabouts, he wisely concluded to vanish, and not lose any time squaring his bill at the St. Nick.

The Pinkerton detective looked in vain for Murphy, but it is not believed that he made a confidant of the Decatur police, as this afternoon they had no news to give the press. At noon the detective returned to Chicago. Possibly he thinks that Murphy and Hall will not show up in Decatur again, and that it would be a waste of time to remain here. It is unfortunate that Ewing and Shaw did not proceed more promptly in the case. An order from Chicago by telegraph to arrest Murphy could have been procured, and the Decatur police could have nabbed him and held him until an officer arrived. Evidently the gentlemen did not count on Murphy recognizing them and taking alarm.

A Delightful Evening.

The "Pleasant Evening" entertainment given at the First M. E. church last evening, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society, was all that its title promised for it. The following program comprised the entertainment:

Opening prayer and hymn.
Piano Solo—Mrs. D. T. Harris.
Quartet—Misses Knieper and McKenzie, Messrs. Bunn and Guer.
Cornet Solo—Miss Marian Kelley.
Recitation—Miss Maud Martin.
Vocal Solo—Miss Marian Kelley.
Debate—"Resolved, That Women Should Vote." Affirmative—Miss Sallie McCall; negative—Mr. N. W. Woodford.
Quartet—Misses Knieper and McKenzie, Messrs. Bunn and Guer.

In the debate Miss McCall won the contest. She read a strong paper in favor of woman suffrage.

After the entertainment the names of forty new members received this conference year were read by the pastor, some of whom were present and were made at home among the membership.

Miss Kelley, who made her first appearance before an audience in Decatur last evening, is an accomplished musician, both instrumental and vocal, being a graduate of the Chicago Musical College and also of Jacksonville. She only recently came to Decatur with her parents, with whom she lives on North Edward street. Her efforts last night were highly complimented on every hand and all agree that Miss Kelley will be a noted accession to the musical fraternity of Decatur.

After the entertainment some forty new members of the church were introduced to the members present by the pastor.

Funeral on Saturday.

The remains of the late Mrs. Theo. A. Stecher arrived at Kansas City last night, and will arrive in Decatur tomorrow morning at 6:15 o'clock. The funeral services will be held at the Baptist church at 2 p. m. Saturday, Rev. C. E. Torrey, officiating. The remains will be at the residence of A. Stecher, 568 West Main street, until the hour of the funeral.

Meeting of Republicans.

The Republican county central committee held a meeting to-day at Secretary Lee's office. There was a good attendance. The defeat of the party, it was held by those present, has had a tendency to strengthen all Republicans in the principles of the party in the several neighborhoods. Some routine business was done at the meeting.

In Honor of Mrs. Amsden.

Mrs. W. H. Elwood will entertain a company of friends this evening at her home on West Willam street, in honor of Mrs. Ohas. Amsden, of Clinton. Cards will be the diversion of the evening.

WANT TO KNOW THE CAUSE.

Inquest on the Body of H. D. Etheridge Held To-Day.

This afternoon at the request of H. W. Beyer, Coroner Bandura is holding an inquest on the body of the late H. D. Etheridge who died rather suddenly at the Revere House Wednesday morning after a brief illness. The juryman were E. W. Anderson, F. L. Wood, Samuel Weitzel, W. F. Burcher, H. C. Walker and William Lehman. The witnesses were R. O. Harris, E. H. Snyder and George E. Woodington, who were with Etheridge during his last illness, and Dr. R. L. Walston who attended the deceased. Etheridge was first taken sick on Saturday, but did not lie down. He sat up in a chair. He had been afflicted with asthma since boyhood, and during the past eight months had experienced three severe attacks. Dr. Walston gave him medicine and left a bottle for him with instructions how and when to give it. In less than half an hour Etheridge was dead. He is quoted as having said just before he died, "That does killed me."

Deceased was in the employ of the Beyer Portrait Co. Mr. Beyer insisted on an inquest being held, and also that a post mortem examination be made of the remains to determine if possible the actual cause of death. Dr. Heil and Dr. Dixon made the post-mortem this afternoon. They had not submitted their report to the jury at the hour of going to press.

The inquest will be concluded at the Beeve & Co. undertaking rooms this evening.

MORE LAWING AHEAD.

An Effort to be Made to Get
"Sunday Sun" Strohm
Out of Jail.

The trial of the case of the City vs. H. L. Strohm, has been indefinitely postponed, and Strohm is now in jail in default of \$400 bail in the state case. Attorney Gray said to-day that so far as the Sunday Sun was concerned there would be no let up in lawing, and that every effort would be made to get Strohm out of jail. It appears that not only Harvey Pasco, but the Sun publishers have deserted Strohm. Bail cannot be furnished. But Mr. Gray says he will file a petition on Monday for a writ of habeas corpus, and compel Sheriff Perl to show cause in the presence of Judge Vail, or some other circuit judge, why Strohm is held in custody. This the way Perl is to be brought into the case. It will be necessary to go over all the evidence again.

Christmas Cattle.

Imboden Bros. received from Chicago this morning part of their Christmas cattle purchased at the Christmas show and sale of fat steers, held in Chicago on Tuesday and Wednesday, including the famous short horn steer fed by Milton Jones of Williamsville, Ill. This steer is 37 months old, weighs 2,000 pounds, and is the best steer of any breed in America to-day. This steer has won more premiums in the show ring the past 15 months than any steer ever shown in this country. The premiums won by this steer will be published later. They also have the first prize Hereford yearling, purchased of Wm. S. Van Natta, of Fowler, Ind.; the first prize Devon yearling, purchased of John Hudson, Mowqua, Ill., and the first prize Angus yearling, and calf, purchased of George Geary, Winterset, Iowa. These cattle can be seen on the street to-morrow afternoon, or at any time at the barn of J. G. Imboden.

Bad for Wyckie's.

Postmaster Troutman, whose dominion is in the vicinity of Wyckie's Station, declares that he has information to the effect that the telegraph station at Wyckie's is to be closed this week. He doesn't look upon this movement with gladness. The station has a postoffice and usually a telegraph office goes with it.

No Trouble About Money.

Now that Dick Barkness, representing the Sockumbusdel society, has drawn his personal check for \$500,000 to aid in securing the permanent location of the state fair at Decatur, there ought to be no further concern about the financial feature of the undertaking. Is the check good?

Wedded at the Capital.

H. W. Sherwood, clerk at the Hotel Brunswick, and Miss Anna L. Taylor, both of Decatur, were married yesterday afternoon at Springfield, by Rev. E. B. Rogers. Mr. Sherwood and bride have returned to Decatur and are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

A Beautiful Window.

Waggoner & Downing have one of the handsomest show windows in the city. George Downing this morning arranged a display of handsome shoes in a bower of moss, autumn leaves, euilax and ivy leaves, in the east window, the entire scene harmonizing most beautifully.

Holiday Rates.
The L. D. & W. Ry will sell excursion tickets to all points on its line and to points on lines named below, at one and third fare for the round trip. 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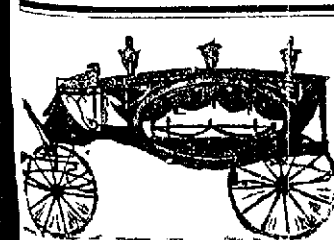
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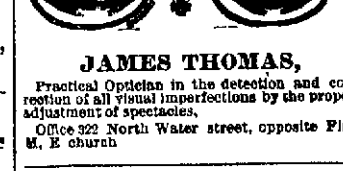
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Death of the Louisiana Senator at Hot Springs

SURROUNDED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS

His Release at Last Came Like Sweet Repose After Troubled Dreams--
A Short Sketch of an Eventful Life.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 16--After a lingering but apparently painless illness Senator Gibson died at 3:10 p. m. yesterday. At the time of his death he was surrounded by his family and some close friends who wept bitterly when it was seen that the noble hearted man was dead.



Randall Lee Gibson

Senator Gibson passed away as though he had gone to sleep. He had been confined to his bed since the 28th of November since which time his death has been expected daily. In accordance with his wishes, his remains will be buried in Lexington, Ky., by the side of his wife who died some years ago. The funeral train bearing his remains will leave here for Lexington to day.

The Dead Senator from Louisiana
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16--News of the death of Senator Gibson, of Louisiana at Hot Springs, Ark. was not received in Washington until last evening. A meeting of the Louisiana delegation in congress will be held to day to make arrangements for attending the funeral which it is supposed will be held in New Orleans. Committees to represent congress on that occasion will be named to-day by Vice President Morton and Speaker Crisp, and they will go under escort of the deputy sergeant at arms of the senate.

Randall Lee Gibson was born September 1, 1832 at Spring Hill near Versailles Woodford county Ky. was educated in Lexington Ky. in Terre Bonne Parish La. at Yale college, and in the law department of the Tulane university of Louisiana. He declined the secretaryship of the Spanish legation in 1855 was aide to the governor of Louisiana at the commencement of the civil war, and commanded a company regiment brigade and division in the confederate army. He was president of the board of administrators of the Tulane university of Louisiana also one of the administrators of the Howard memorial library in New Orleans also one of the trustees of the Peabody education fund a regent of the Smithsonian Institution a lawyer and a planter. He was elected to the forty third congress from the second congressional district of Louisiana but was defeated admission. He was a representative in the forty fourth and elected successively up to and including the forty seventh congress when he was elected to the United States senate without opposition as a democrat and took his seat March 4, 1881 and was re-elected in 1889. His term of service would have expired March 3, 1895.

THE BURKE LETTER.

But Little External Evidence That the Cronin Murderer Wrote It

Chicago, Dec. 16--The alleged letter from Martin Burke, referred to in a St. Louis dispatch yesterday afternoon, was printed in an afternoon paper with an accompanying mass of uncorroborated assertions and inconsequential interviews. There is little external evidence that the letter was written by Burke, or that such a letter exists. The C. S. mentioned in the letter--if the letter is genuine--can not be identified or even guessed at by anyone connected with the Cronin case.

The afternoon paper which publishes the story has an interview with John F. Scanlan, in which that gentleman is made to say that C. S. alludes to a man named Murphy whom Burke is suspected of having murdered. Why Murphy should be called C. S. however, is difficult to understand. About the only statement of interest in connection with the matter is one made by Mr. Scanlan, who says that the reason for Burke assuming a false name in Manitoba was that the Clan-na-Gael had determined upon his removal also and he knew it. Mr. Scanlan also declares that Teeman O'Sullivan made a confession of the Cronin murder before he died in prison, but that unfortunately it was not reduced to writing and is therefore not available for legal proceedings.

The rest of the evening paper's story is a rehash of the Cronin literature of the last three years.

Arrival of a Norwegian Land Swindler
CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 16--L. J. Iymojol a Norwegian is under arrest at Norway, Benton county, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. It is alleged he went to Norway about a year ago and, by holding out to his fellow countrymen that immense profits were to be made in real estate near Chicago, induced twenty two of them to invest \$1,000 for the purchase of a forty acre tract near Griffith, Ind. The Central Land syndicate was formed. The land was purchased, the documents showing the consideration to be \$23,000. Realizing nothing, some of the members became suspicious and two went to Griffith. A swamp two miles from town, worth 50 cents an acre, was found.

Will Close for Repairs.
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 16--The Edgar Thomson steel works at Bradford will close for repairs to-morrow. The works have been run to their full capacity for some time past and have been turning out an unusually large amount of material. The repairs will be completed so that work can be begun soon after January 1.

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Dec. 15.—A strong presentation claimant in the McGarrahan bill in the senate to-day by Mr. Blair. The chief point made by him at a hearing before President Lincoln decided in support of the issuance of a patent; was actually filled out and it was afterwards (before McGarrahan's existence) mutilated in the interior department. The bill expired before the argument, and the bill went over, until Monday next. Blair sought to a close his three day's work on the anti-tying bill and Mr. Blair determined but fruitless effort next week fixed for a vote had, early in the day's work against a motion to until Monday next. Blair was only defeated by a vote of the vice-president, greeted with laughter and supporters of the anti-tying bill. The bill will then be put for four days, and as four days notice of their intention to vote, there is little probability of action until after the recess.

Today passed a resolution for a recess Thursday before Christmas and after New Year's, and through a resolution brought before the committee on rules to apportion the recess among its various committees; to-morrow being private; not interfered with; Saturday, the consideration of the Florida bill, as pension day, was given; Tuesday was given to public lands, and Wednesday to commerce. The committee on commerce called up by the committee on commerce resumed the remainder of the house adjourned until Saturday.

Stories About Mr. Blaine's Health Shown to be False.

Dec. 16.—James G. Blaine said last night that the exerting comfortably and any change in his condition or the better. He said there was no foundation for the reports that his father was a while he kept his bed his naturally anxious. But cause for alarm. Blair said that as soon as his condition permitted the family to Washington, but it was where they would go. Blair said of going to southern right be carried out.

in the Catholic Church.

Dec. 16.—Hon. Josephine, returned last night to Washington. When Mr. Blaine's health he was unduly exaggerated the ex-secretary was at.

the reports that he in the Catholic church were at, he said, was ridiculous.

Discontinuance of Pensions.

Dec. 16.—Representative of Texas, introduced in the house a bill repealing the act of 1890, granting pensions to sailors and to widows, and dependent parents of sailors. The bill also to all pensions granted shall be discontinued.

the Attempt on the Life of Hypolite Confirmed.

Dec. 16.—The state department received a dispatch from the minister at Hayti reports of the attempted killing of President Hypolite and of the killing of his assailant.

made by the Senate.

Dec. 16.—The senate affirmed the nomination of John A. Gilman, of Iowa, to be an interstate commissioner and a member of army and navy and promotions.

trial on Trial for Receiving Stolen Goods.

Dec. 16.—The cases of Cooley and wife, their sons, Hattie and Lida, and a Russell were taken up. There are seven indictments against the defendants, two each indictment, charging receiving stolen goods. Seven are seven in number. The prosecutor testified and proven goods he had found at home. All identified positively. The evidence against the defendants seems complete. The trial will be closed by noon to-day.

and Stocks Abroad.

Dec. 16.—The Evening Standard from London says: The price of gold this week was strong. The price was increased £110,000, and the amount of home circulation. The price of gold was increased £110,000, and the amount of home circulation.

Bucharest. Yesterday's market was quiet. Argentines were assisted by the interstate commerce commission amended by allowing

in mints are not to be silver. It is learned on authority that the bank has of Russian coin.

brick Out of Danger.

Dec. 16.—Mrs. Maybrick is well out of danger, and sent has consequently with privilege for her mother, Rouques, to visit her.

Joint a Cholera Survey.

Dec. 16.—The government has a cholera survey similar to 1884 and 1886, with a view to an epidemic next summer.

Smite Scars in Cadiz.

Dec. 16.—A dispatch from Madrid says that a dynamite explosion caused in that city by eight bombs in a sewer.

braska's Vote.

Dec. 16.—The official results on presidential election, 87,218; Weaver, 88,243.

A Gang of Lottery Ticket Forgers Arrested.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—According to the statements of detectives who have been engaged for four months in hunting down the counterfeiters of lottery tickets, a stupendous scheme for defrauding lottery ticket purchasers has been discovered in every town and city in Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois, the members of the gang have operated their clever swindle for about a year and have come out of the game heavy winners. The end of the business came yesterday when a plant for the manufacture of lottery tickets was discovered at 261 and 283 Clark street, and James B. Stranger, the proprietor was arrested and charged with forgery. Stranger was taken before the justice yesterday afternoon. He waived examination and was held to the criminal court in \$10,000 bonds.

A NATIONAL BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS.

NEWTON, Kan., Dec. 16.—The national bank of Newton closed its doors yesterday morning. A notice posted on the door says that the bank is in the hands of the government examiners. The officers, E. H. Philbrook, president and E. L. Harris, cashier, refuse to give any information; but it is reported that the Mercantile bank of New York was instrumental in closing the bank.

A Severe But Richly Deserved Fate—

On Trial for Negligence—Desperate Battle With Bottles—A Valuable Colt Shot, Etc.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—John J. McCafferty, O., the owner, trainer and jockey yesterday received a telegram from his stable's winter quarters at Columbus, Ga., to the effect that his 2-year-old colt Rees had received injuries of such a character that he had to be shot. McCafferty has refused \$25,000 for the colt.

SENATOR McDONALD'S WILL.

The Document Held by the Widow Declared to be a Forgery—In Leading Strings.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 16.—In answer to a number of interrogatories addressed to the children and grandchildren of the late Senator McDonald, who are going to set aside his will, Malcolm B. McDonald has made a formal reply in which he says that the signature to the will which Mrs. McDonald holds is not that of his father, and that the will does not contain the provisions which the senator said his will did. Miss Jessie McDonald, a granddaughter, living at Washington, makes this statement in answer to the interrogatories:

The influence of the defendant Josephine McDonald, over my grandfather was masterly and controlling. The will of his wife seemed to predominate in everything and it could be felt rather than described. His subordination to her will was almost abject and made his relatives and friends feel uncomfortable. I was forced to notice the difference in his conduct when she was present and when she was absent. The word and will of his wife seemed to be supreme in everything.

Chess.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 16.—The first game in the series between Lasker and J. W. Showalter was played yesterday at Johnson's hotel. Lasker opened at a Ruy Lopez and won in the sixty-eighth move.

The Official Vote of South Carolina.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 16.—The official vote of South Carolina is: Cleveland, 64,698; Harrison, 13,384; Weaver, 3,410; Bidwell, 0.

The Good Colonel Wins.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The jury in the Gray-Shepherd case yesterday returned a verdict for the defendant, Col. Shepherd.

The Democratic Plurality in New York.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The democratic plurality over the republicans on the national ticket in this state is 4,844.

A BOLD BURGLARY.

Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Goods Carted Off

FROM A CHICAGO BUSINESS HOUSE

Under the Noses of a Couple of Lynx-Eyed Private Watchmen—A Careful Selection Made of the Best Articles.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The boldest and most extensive burglary which has come to the knowledge of the police was perpetrated early yesterday morning, when the salesrooms of the Stokes Manufacturing Co., at 293 Wabash avenue, were entered, and bicycles and other goods valued at upwards of \$2,000 were taken out and carted away by the thieves in a wagon. Entrance to the store was effected through the roof and almost under the eyes of two watchmen employed to guard the alley and adjoining premises.

In the repair shop the thieves rummaged around the benches and selected a number of valuable tools and a suit of clothing, left by one of the workmen. In the warerooms on the floor below, the thieves lighted a gas jet in the rear of the store and leisurely overhauled the bicycles in the stock took them singly to the light for inspection, carrying those that caught their fancy to the wagon, which was waiting in the alley. The wheels selected were the finest in the store.

Before leaving the thieves broke open the desks in the offices, taking all the small change they could find and finally overhauled the show cases and took their pick of caps, oil cans and bicycle tools. Although the men must have been in the store fully three hours the robbery was not discovered until the employees entered the store yesterday morning, and the only clue to the thieves is the wagon track leading out of the alley.

WHAT A WHOPPER!

A "Very Devout and Conscientious Priest" Sees a Vision.

RED LAKE FALLS, Minn., Dec. 16.—A sensation equal to the Canton miracle prevails in Catholic church circles here. On Friday J. B. Carlo, a veteran 68 years of age, died and the funeral service was held in St. Joseph's Catholic church, Saturday. At 6 o'clock Sunday morning Father Arpan, the pastor, went into the church and there before him stood John B. Carl in his usual costume but with a face as black as charcoal. He talked to the priest a few moments and then disappeared.

Father Arpan told these facts to his congregation Sunday. There is no fake about it, however. Carlo had once been a Catholic, but for years had ridiculed the church and its priests. At the visitation he told the priest that his punishment had come about through his concealment of his sins at confession and receiving the first communion in a state of sin. Father Arpan is a very devout and conscientious priest.

Candy Factory Burned.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16.—At 8 p. m. last evening fire broke out in the basement of the large building of the Huggins Cracker and Candy Co., at 1045 to 1061 St. Louis avenue, and an hour later the entire plant was a total loss. Nothing was saved, and the loss will approximate \$150,000.

The concern was a member of the Cracker trust. This is the third time in five years the factory has been destroyed by fire.

The factory was running double time on Christmas orders. On the third floor of the building were seventy-five girls, and scattered through the different portions of the building were 125 men. When the fire suddenly broke out there was a tremendous panic among these employees and a general stampede for the stairways and the fire escapes, in which several of the girls were badly bruised. Nearly all of those known to have been in the building have been accounted for and it is not believed that anyone perished in the flames.

Beatty, the Alleged Poisoner, in Jail.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 16.—Robert J. Beatty, who is alleged to be implicated in the Homestead poisoning conspiracy, reached Pittsburgh from Louisville yesterday morning, in charge of Deputy Sheriff Farrell. He was taken to Alderman McMaster's office, where an additional information of felonious assault was lodged against him. He was then taken to jail where he is held in \$3,000 bail for a hearing on December 19. Beatty said he was innocent and the charges were maliciously false.

A Negro Hunt Ends in Ashes.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 16.—The chase after the negro who outraged Emma O'Brien, an 18-year-old white girl of this city, is said to have ended. A report comes that the brute was captured and hanged to a tree in a churchyard and his body cremated. The neighborhood is in a wild state of excitement.

Costly Flames.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 16.—Fire yesterday morning on Fourth street caused a loss of \$100,000. The building was but slightly damaged but the Nonotack Silk Co. lost \$30,000 on stock by fire and Schwab & Bro., wholesale notion dealers, suffered \$75,000 damage, principally by water.

Cheated the Gallows.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Dec. 16.—Benson, the convicted murderer of Mrs. Mettman here two years ago, who stabbed himself in his cell yesterday morning, died of his wounds at 7:20 p. m. thereby cheating the gallows.

Dead.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—United States Commissioner Henry Ballot died, yesterday afternoon, at his residence in Dorchester. The commissioner has been ill for several weeks.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Mrs. Arato M. Murphy is in jail at Hunsville, Ala., for forgery.

—The steamer Australia arrived at San Francisco from Honolulu yesterday.

—Dr. Charles Schenck has been elected president of the Swiss confederation, and A. Fr. vice-president.

—The British war ship Rapid bombarded several villages on Solomon islands for the kill of white traders.

—L'Esperance, a French vessel, was wrecked on the island of Guernsey yesterday. All her crew were drowned.

—The pope will shortly send to the Italian bishops and the Italian people a circular letter denouncing free masonry.

—The whisky trust has further advanced price of alcohol ten cents per proof gallon rectified goods five cents per wine gallon.

—Gov. Elect Turner, of Tennessee, is here and hopes are now entertained that he will be able to attend his inauguration on Monday.

—Thomas Gaylord Vannum, a Yale freshman, spent Wednesday night in the lock-up New Haven, Conn., on a charge of grand larceny.

—President Fink of the Little Rock & Memphis road denies the printed statement that Illinois Central has secured control of road.

—H. F. Farria, wanted in St. Louis for forging papers upon which he secured about \$6,000 and \$7,000, was captured in Chicago Detective Weaver.

—The United States man-of-war Benning yesterday sailed from Gibraltar for Cadiz, lying in tow the caravel built in imitation of vessel in which Columbus discovered America.

—In a fire in a boarding house in Union Park, a suburb of St. Paul, Minn., kept by Mrs. Eams, that lady and her son and daughter aged respectively 7 and 5 years, were burnt to death.

—At the Maverick street crossing of the ton & Albany road, in east Boston, yesterday Katherine Donahue, 19, and Julia Barry were run over by some freight cars. Miss Donahue will die.

—The Hawaiian legislature has appropriated \$4,000 for the tour of Princess Kaiulani, the apparent, through Europe and the United States, and \$12,000 to send the Hawaiian to the World's fair.

—French imports during the month of November decreased 5,035,000 francs, and the ports increased 10,681,000 francs, as compared with the imports and exports of the corresponding month last year.

—The congregation of the Fourth-avenue Presbyterian church, of New York, of which the late Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby was pastor, yesterday, unanimously to extend to Rev. John R. Davies, of Tyrona, Pa.

—August Simon Luce, the French histologist and scholar, died in Paris yesterday. He was born at Breteville-sur-Ay, in the department of Manche, on December 29, 1833. He was author of a number of well-known works.

—Harry Stambaugh, while intoxicated, shot a crowd of children returning from church at Nelsonville, O. Two girls, daughters of Isaiah Koon, and Morgan, a boy, were struck in the side and back of the head and fatally wounded.

—Vice-Admiral Schikbatchoff, Russian minister, met with a severe accident, yesterday, while visiting the admiralty yards, the progress of the new cruisers. A fall on his head, seriously injuring him, is confidently expected that the injury will have a fatal result.

—During a heavy gale a fire broke out at a fleet of naphtha barges at Astrakhan, Russia, and spread with frightful rapidity. The flames consumed twenty-seven barges and the scene, as one after another exploded, was a magnificent one. This is the largest naphtha fire that has occurred at Astrakhan within a short time.

—The midwife, Bedworska, of Lodz, Russia, sentenced to one year's imprisonment, for having murdered 111 babies, has been found buried in her cellar. A had been at such work for nearly 25 years, there is little doubt that her victim number in the hundreds. She was saved the full penalty for her crime by the powerful influence of some of her former patrons.

—An aerolite weighing 40,000 pounds, fell about four months ago, forty miles from Mexico, striking a cliff in its descent, in its course down the mountain plowing a deep furrow in the earth and revealing a rich vein of silver, which was immediately taken up by a practical mining and is being worked with great profit, has been transported to the City of Mexico at a cost of \$300.

A BAFLED MOB.

They Wanted to Hang a Ravisher, Failed to Find Him.

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky., Dec. 16.—Yesterday morning at 1:30 o'clock, a mob of 200 men, with the Jellico yard engine and three cars, came down Jellico for the purpose of lynching Leonard Tye, charged with the murder of Amanda Bryan Kensee, December 5. They had the switch engine of the Jellico yards. Engineer Fred Tilford, Fireman James Williams found it was useless to resist and were forced to get up steam in order to carry men to this place.

The mob got off and went to the but Judge Boyd had ordered the men taken away, so they did not find him. The mob called up Judge and had a spirited talk with him, crossed the river and searched woods and cliffs, but they did not find him and went away about 8 o'clock swearing they would hang him. The negro was taken to Stanford but when the mob was here he was hidden in the woods under the guard of Town Marshal Ross. The claim to have conclusive evidence he is guilty, and if he is he will surely be lynched.

Emanuel Brunswick Killed by a Train.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Emanuel Brunswick, a wealthy manufacturer of San Francisco, was killed last evening on Madison and State streets, while trying to board a State-street cable train. He was hurled under the front of the car and the guard struck him in the left side, crushing several ribs. His ribs were driven through his body. Mr. Brunswick was unconscious, picked up and died an hour later.

Mr. Brunswick was proprietor of the Brunswick billiard and pool hall of 2581 Battery street, San Francisco. He also manufactured sporting goods and club-room furniture. A few years ago Mr. Brunswick was a member of the Brunswick-Balke Billiard Table Co. of this city.

Will Probe Into the Conkey Con.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Another investigating committee has been appointed to probe into the Conkey contracting scandal. The board of control of the national committee decided, at the request of General St. Clair, of West Virginia, to make a full investigation of his transactions with the affair.

As Gen. St. Clair's dealings were being investigated by the board of control the Taney concession board of control have summoned Taney by telegraph.

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Boston Shopping Bags, the newest.

Fur Muffs and Boas, or Collars.

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Infants' and Children's Headwear.

Ladies' Wool, Silk and Chenille Fascinators.

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Lisle, Silk, Wool and Cotton Hosiery for Ladies, Gents and Children.

Fine Wool and Merino Underwear.

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Fine Hemstitched Damask Table Sets.

Chenille Portiers and Table Covers.

Cashmere and Silk Mufflers.

Silk Throws and Tidies, China Silk Cushions and Head Rests.

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Toilet and Shaving Boxes.

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Special Inducements will be offered for the next two weeks in
LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S CLOAKS.

OWING to the continued mild weather during November, we find that we have more fine garments on hand than we usually carry at this season of the year, and to effect a speedy clearance we have marked them all at such LOW PRICES that will insure their sale during this month. Ladies intending to purchase a cloak should not miss this opportunity of securing a valuable bargain.

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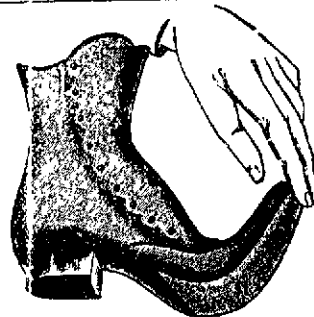
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SEE those \$13.00 gold filled watches They are fine. Only to be had of Peake & Son at the above price. 10-d1w
BUY Xmas presents to-day at Robinson's Corner Book Store. The latest novelties in stock. Corner Water and Main. 3-d3w

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THE Smoak House at 432 East Main street is confessedly the best place in the city to find rest and the best of meals at 25 cents. Give Henry Smoak a trial. He never fails to please. The house is splendidly furnished throughout. nov23-d&w1mo

THEY are in. Our \$4.6 English Dinner sets are in. Our \$6.50 English Dinner sets are in. Our \$8.50 English Dinner sets are in, and they are just as advertised. Come quick if you wish to secure one of them. They will go fast. No one here has yet "dared" to show such goods for the price. Otto E. CURTIS & BRO.

A LARGE audience witnessed the comic opera "Tar and Tarrar," at the Grand last night, and while in some respects, mainly on the score of the music, the opera was a disappointment, yet the performance was well received. It had the merit of being new. There was not a good soloist in the party. The orchestration was excellent. At the close the dramatic representation of songs of all nations was capital and won a hearty encore.

The following G. A. R. Post officers at La Place have been elected: Commander, C. A. Redman; Senior Vice Commander, James Miller; Junior Vice Commander, Henry C. Haynes; Chaplain, N. W. Tohill; Officer of the Day, Wm. Verner; Surgeon, James Blythe; Quarter master, James Stine; Officer of the Guard, Joe. McCollister; Delegate to State Encampment, N. W. Tohill; Alternate, Joe. Blythe.

VISIT O. M. Anstead's dry goods house for Xmas presents of all kinds. We offer upwards of one thousand dozen handkerchiefs at 2c, 3c, 5c, 7c and 10c; 2 for 25c up to \$1.50 each. Pretty mufflers at 35c, 50c and 75c. Toilet cases, collar and cuff boxes, sewing boxes, cabinet picture frames, photo albums, celluloid and other novelties, pocketbooks, shopping bags, etc., at our lowest popular prices. Store open evenings. O. M. Anstead. d12-1w

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Christmas Sale.
Go to the W. C. T. U. rooms in Library Block, Tuesday, Dec. 20th, where you will find the ladies of the Christian church ready to sell you fancy or useful articles for a Christmas present. Also dinner and supper served, at popular prices. d15-d5t

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

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to attend the funeral of our late
. Campbell. Members of Macon
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S. D. MAY, W. M.

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ILLINOIS, ss
COUNTY.

to the January Term, A.
D., 1892.

Der vs. Willis J. Godler—Bill for

the non-residence in this state of
Willis J. Godler, the defendant in the
cause, having been filed in the
clerk of the Circuit Court of said
county, the clerk of said court is
hereby given to the said Willis J.
Godler, that the above named complaint
filed her bill of complaint in said
Circuit Court, and that a summons thereon
of said Court against the above
named defendant, returned on the first day
of January term of said court, on the
first day of January, 1892, and that
the said Willis J. Godler, did not
appear on the first day of January
term of said court, and that the same
has been true, and a decree rendered
in said cause, on the 25th day of
January, 1892.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

The Centenary of Coal Gas.
It is just a hundred years since William Murdoch discovered that coal gas might be used as an illuminant. In his Cornish home he heated coal in an iron retort and applied a light to the end of an iron tube coming from the retort. How many people today have ever heard the name of this William Murdoch? Watts, with his kettle, discovered the use of steam, which has effected the greatest peaceful revolution the world has ever seen. Murdoch, with his kettle, also made a wonderful discovery, the value of which it is impossible to overestimate. Electricity as an illuminant is now fast replacing its elder brother, but it is quite young.
For sixty years and more gas has been a familiar friend, and its civilizing influence has been enormous. Feeble as its flame is compared with the brilliant light, those few among us who remember the old wooden posts with their sockets of lamps that did duty in our streets, and served only to make darkness visible, can testify to the gratification brought to feel to the Cornishman. Nothing has helped more to repress the barbarism in our streets than this lighting up of dark places. It has in every case been an enlightening power, and it is not exactly to our credit that we have forgotten the man who gave it us.
—London Public Opinion.

A Wonderful Music Box.
An interesting arrangement of pneumatic mechanism for the production of high class music has recently been exhibited. The instrument has two and one-half sets of reeds, the regular action of the air grooves being located above, and on top of the board containing these is a row of small pneumatics corresponding in number to the keys of the instrument; underneath this board are four rows of large pneumatics, one beneath the other, and from an arm on each of these pneumatics hangs a wire attached to a lever operating on the coupler button on the pitmans or wooden rods connecting the keys of the instrument with the reed board valves.
By means of these levers, operated by pneumatics, the movement of the valves becomes automatic, subject to the passage over the air board of perforated paper. A peculiar characteristic of the motor which operates the music, which distinguishes it from all other appliances of the kind, is its adaptability to running to the right to wind music and to the left to unwind, or vice versa. When the instrument is in operation the keyboard becomes a thing of life, keys dropping with the exact rapidity required by the selection rendered. —Philadelphia Ledger.

Young Love's Dream and Awakening.
Harry Hamilton, aged sixteen and Anne Mead, aged fifteen, went to the same school in Philadelphia. They became attached to each other, and about a year ago became engaged to be married. Owing to their youth, however, the engagement was kept a secret, and the parents endeavored to keep them apart.
Monday Hamilton succeeded in getting a note to Mrs. Mead in a grocery package. The young girl escaped from home and joined Hamilton. They went to Camden and were married. They then took the train for Wilkesbarre and secured board at Mrs. Reeves' on Union street. Hamilton had a ten dollar note. He gave it to the landlady, saying, "We are solid for one week, anyhow, and can spend our honeymoon in peace."
The young husband endeavored to secure employment as a clerk, but as he was too young he failed. His father, who had taken him home by the ear, the young wife's sister came here on Saturday and matched her back to Philadelphia. —Wilkesbarre Cor. Philadelphia Record.

California's Jelly Palace.
The jelly palace which the women of California will prepare for the World's fair exhibit will be 16 by 20 feet and 27 feet high, with two open doors approached by three marble steps. The framework will be of wire. On this will be firmly placed several thousand jelly glasses—cups, globes, prisms, etc.—filled with jelly of many shades of color, arranged in artistic and beautiful designs. The interior will be brilliantly illuminated by electricity. The cost of the framework and glasses alone is estimated at \$2,700.

Danger in Ice Water.
Many people owe summer sickness to the too free use of ice water. It is a question if any real ice water is safe. That which is cold without coming directly from the ice is quite as satisfying and is not dangerous. Strong men have died in fifteen minutes from the effects of drinking copiously of ice water while highly heated by hard work or the sun.
—New York Press.

Feeding Cattle with Asparagus.
It is not often that asparagus, the richest and most expensive of vegetables, is used as food for cattle, but the asparagus crop has been so large all over Brunswick, Germany, that in some villages nobody could be found to pay a cent for a pound, and whole basketsful were given to the cows and sheep. —Chicago Herald.

It is proposed spending \$900,000 in enlarging the docks at Liverpool. Eminent shipbuilders recommend that to prepare for the future it will be necessary to consider that vessels will be 700 feet long and that the docks should be 100 feet wide.

What is now North Berwick, Me., was known as Doughty falls thirty years ago. A postal clerk says that occasionally letters are even now addressed to Doughty's falls, and that he has had one such in his hands within the last month.

In the recent elections in England, no fewer than six members of the Society of Friends were candidates for parliamentary seats in the tract of north eastern country between the Tees and the Tyne.

RIDE A COCKHORSE, TO CHICAGO OF COURSE, TO GET SOME OF SANTA CLAUS SOAP WHICH IS BOSS.
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CHICAGO.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

The P. D. & E. R. will sell excursion tickets for the round trip, good going and returning December 24, 25, 26 and 41, and on January 1 and 2, good returning up to and including January 9, 1892.

ON ACCOUNT OF THE INAUGURATION of Governor Altgeld, the Wabash X. R. will sell excursion tickets to Springfield and return at one and one-third fare. Tickets will be on sale January 7 and 8, 1892, good going and returning up to and including January 9, 1892.

THE P. D. & E. R. will run an excursion from Decatur to Peoria on Dec. 31. One fare for the round trip, good going and returning date of sale. For tickets call on T. Penwell, 119 Library Block, Decatur, Ill., or O. C. Judson, Union Depot.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION VIA VANDALIA LINE—In wishing its patrons and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year, the Vandalia Line desires to announce that on December 24, 25, 26, 31, 1892, and January 1 and 2, 1893, excursion tickets, at low rates, will be sold from all stations; not only to local points on the Vandalia line, but also to points on connecting lines, with return limit of January 3, 1893. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalia Line Ticket Agent or address J. M. Chesbrough, Asst. Gen'l Pass. Agent, St. Louis, Mo.

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Rocking Chairs,
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GEO. W. MEYER.

CHANCERY NOTICE.
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY, ss.
In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1892.

Betty Jane Funk vs. Christopher Funk. IN CHANCERY.

Affidavit that on due inquiry said Christopher Funk cannot be found, and that upon diligent inquiry the place of residence of said Christopher Funk cannot be ascertained, having been died in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county, notice is hereby given to said Christopher Funk that the above named complainant heretofore filed her bill of complaint in court on the chancery side thereof, which said bill is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next January term of said court, to be holden at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the second Monday in the month of January, A. D. 1893. Now, unless you, the said Christopher Funk, shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken to be true, and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.
E. MCLELLAN, Clerk.

JAPANESE PILE CURE

A new and complete treatment, consisting of suppositories, ointment in capsules, also in Box and Pills: A Positive Cure for External, Internal, Blind or Bleeding, Itching, Chronic, Recurrent or Hereditary Piles. This Remedy has never been known to fail. \$1 per box, six for \$5; sent by mail. Why suffer from this terrible disease when a written guarantee is positively given with six boxes. Send stamp for free sample. Guarantee issued by A. J. Blaine, druggist, 239 North Water street, Decatur, Ill.
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WEST'S LIVER PILLS Positively Cure Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Sick Headache and Indigestion. 25c. All Druggists.

Notice of Final Settlement
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY, ss.
In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth Burg, Deceased.
To the creditors, distributees and unknown heirs of said estate: You are hereby notified that on Monday, December 26th, 1892, I will present to the judge of the county court, in the county and state aforesaid, my final report in settlement thereof, and to have the same thereupon discharged from the duties thereof, when you may be present and resist such application if you choose to do so.
R. H. WOODCOCK, Executor.

Special Assessment Notice

Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, has rendered judgment for special assessments upon the property benefited by the following local improvement: The paving and improving of Webster street, from the east line of Harwood avenue, east, a distance of three hundred and seventy-five (375) feet, in the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office; that a warrant for the collection of such special assessments is in the hands of the undersigned.
The total amount of such special taxes is divided into five equal installments and each installment is twenty per cent of the entire amount specially taxed against the lots, blocks, tracts and parcels of land benefited by said local improvement.
The first installment was due October 15th A. D. 1892, and one installment falls due annually thereafter until paid. All deferred installments (to-wit: the last four installments) bear six per cent interest from January 1, A. D. 1893, which said interest is payable annually.
The whole of said special taxes or any installment thereof levied upon any lot, block, piece or tract of land may be paid at any time at the option of the owner or owners of said lot, block, piece or tract of land.
All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount specially assessed at the collector's office, being the city clerk's office, No. 247 North Main street, in said city, within thirty days from the date hereof.
Dated this 17th day of November A. D. 1892.
L. F. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

Special Assessment Notice.
Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, has rendered judgment for special assessments upon the property benefited by the following local improvement: The construction of a sewer, with branches commencing at and connecting with the south side of the present sewer on East Wood street at a point opposite the central line of the alley running north and south between South Broadway street and Webster street, by means of a branch of said sewer to be constructed from its said beginning point, south on the central line of said alley to the north line of East Decatur street, and there shall be constructed commencing at and connecting with said sewer on the east side thereof at the central line of Clay street which said branch of said sewer shall be constructed from its said beginning point, east on the central line of said alley to a point within twenty (20) feet of Peake street; and there shall be constructed a branch of said sewer, which shall connect with the south side of said branch at a point on the central line of the boulevard on the east side of Webster street, which said branch of said sewer shall be constructed from its said beginning point, south on the central line of said boulevard, a distance of three hundred (300) feet; 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FRESH OYSTERS —AT— WOOD'S.

FRIDAY EVE, DEC. 16, 1892

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Disappointed

All parties who expected to get 100 piece dinner sets for \$4.90 and found out it was a *humbug* as usual, will find that our 100-piece English sets are as advertised, and we do not try to palm off 50 piece sets and make people believe they are bargains. Come to us and get *genuine bargains*. E D BATHOLOMEW

Denz & Son, tailors

Teeth, \$8—Hoskins & Moore, dentists

Largest in children's games at Robinson's Book store 11 d2w

Select your presents at West's Lincoln Square Pharmacy

Union underwear and equestrian lights at a cut price at Anthony & Webb's

Work has been resumed on the Columbia Block on North Main street

Latest games at Robinson's Book store, corner of Water and East Main streets. 14-d2w

It will pay you to deal with John I. Hanks, the grocer, at 143 South Water street

Notice, we have reduced prices on all underwear, hosiery and Blankets

ANTHONY & WEBB

See the fine effects in water color, on plaque and panel, in vase and fancies, at the City Book Store J H BEVANS

The Grand Opera House cigars, made by Keck & Weigand, are the best in town mar25-d1t

Watches cleaned and mainsprings put in for \$1.00 at W. W. Soudder's, 249 North Main street 14 d&w1w

Take supper at the Presbyterian church on Friday Admission 10 cents Supper 25 cents 14 d2

See standing advertisement of City Book Store concerning books 15-d&w1w J H BEVANS

Full line of holiday goods to be closed out very cheap at W. W. Soudder's, 249 North Main street, opposite Syndicate Block 14-d&w1w

Only two weeks more that Peake & Son will give you such slaughtering prices as they are now giving 10 d6

New designs in jewelry arriving daily at Peake & Son's, and they are all the latest novelties in jewelry 10 d1w

Lost—A pair of nose glasses, near Opera House Finder will please return same to Post's jewelry store and receive reward

O M ANSTEAD'S Dry Goods House will keep open every evening until Xmas Our line of holiday goods are now on sale 12-d1w

Brighten your homes with an assortment of pictures They can be bought at your own price for a few days at the Chicago Art Store, west side Lincoln Square. 15d2t

SANDWICH PLATES AND CUPS, a new fad, just arrived, in Haviland's Decorated China An elegant present for Christmas E D BATHOLOMEW

See what the Presbyterian ladies have for Christmas presents at their sale on Friday Doors open at 8 o'clock Admission 10 cents 14-d2

Do not forget to begin the new year with one of the famous Excelsior Combination Diaries, now on sale at the City Book Store J H BEVANS

Special prices on one thousand Clocks, and a general mark down in our Dress Goods Department Our store open every evening until Xmas 12-d1w O M ANSTEAD

Call and be convinced that we are selling an elegant assortment of high grade pictures at from 25 to 50 cents or the dollar Chicago Art Co, West Side Lincoln Square. d15 2t

We have placed on sale this week an unbroken line of fine umbrellas which must be sold regardless of cost nov30-d&w1t CHEAP CHAUNCEY

For good goods and low figures in watches and jewelry be sure and call on W. W. Soudder at 249 North Main street opposite Syndicate Block 14-d&w1w

The largest selection of pictures ever shown in Decatur, at quarter to half their value Come and see for yourselves. What more appropriate for Christmas present than a beautiful picture? Chicago Art Co, West Side Lincoln Square d15-d2t

CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS at your own price, bought at the mammoth Rosenfeld failure at Chicago, at the popular shoe store of Waggoner & Downing 16 d6

Decatur people and visitors will find a beautiful line of hosiery and substantial steamer and traveling trunks of various designs, at low prices, at the Decatur Trunk and Box factory, No 300 North Water street Look at the goods and you will buy d13 d2w

Work of the Supervisors at December Meeting—The Janitor Question

The Macon county board of supervisors may continue the present session Saturday in order to arrange about prompt issue of the court house. The session this forenoon was brief.

On motion of Supervisor Cope it voted to retain William Carter as house janitor until next June at \$1 year.

On the Grubb bridge improvement the recommendation of the commission the board voted \$1028.50 to be paid the treasurer of the commission Decatur township.

The mines and mining committee reported that it had visited the mines in the county and found them all in shape. In some parts of the North mine the air seemed to be insufficient but as the state mine inspector had visited the mine they supposed he ordered anything not in accordance with the law corrected.

Mr. Cope moved that Supervisors Wiley, Miller and Barber be appointed draft resolutions of sympathy for Supervisor Quinn on the death of his wife.

The judiciary committee was instructed to ascertain as near as possible the number and kind of instruments recorded for want of payment of fees.

The public building committee was instructed to receive bids and cause constructed a freestone sidewalk at the court house and county property from the lot line to the street on

JANUARY GRAND JURY

The following gentlemen were selected to serve as grand jurors at the January term of the circuit court

Decatur—I R Rogan, Wm. Ambr J A Davidson and Marion May Wheatland—Thomas Hill. Whitmore—Lloyd Bennett Macon—Isaac Peeper and Fred M. Nantico—George E. Lindsay. Oakley—Thomas F. Wheeler Illinois—G W. Onip Maroa—W. O. Williams and J. Rainey

Blue Mound—John Weigand Austin—H E Peverly. Pleasant View—J K Hardy Hickory—Wesley Rowe Milan—W H Murphy Mt. Zion—B A Burrows Long Creek—C E Murray and McDonald Friends Creek—John Hanks Harrisburg—J G Howsman

NATURE'S REMEDIES

A Paper Read Before the Philosophical Society by Dr C A. McLean

The Philosophical society held weekly meeting at Dr. Walton's last night. There was a good attendance of members, and the order was a paper on "Nature's Remedies and Corrections" by Dr. C A. McLean. The paper was an able one and was received with a great interest. The doctor portrayed the minds of his hearers how, as soon as man is born into the world, he finds himself environed by antagonistic elements which operate to put him where he needs relief. This relief he showed from the same hand which deals afflictions—the hand of nature. In considering nature's remedies he too water, air and heat as health restore. The paper was discussed by several those present, and Prof. Gastman designated as essayist for the next evening. His subject will be "Bees."

Jack Stephens' Bad Fall.

Ex-Railroad John Stephens, a prominent Grand Army man and well known to many Decatur people, is confined at home on West Adams street, Decatur, by injuries received in falling from stairs. Last Friday morning Mr. Stephens was coming down stairs at home, when he was seized with vertigo and fell a distance of 15 feet, striking head on a heavy hat-rack in the hall, suffering a severe fracture of the bone on the right side of the face, and was considerably bruised about the body. In the accident Mr. Stephens has been unable to leave his bed. He suffered from high fever several days, but appears much better to-day.

The Tower on Fire

During the past few days a great fire appeared in the tower of the new house. It has been a fiering blaze and the sight has caused more or less excitement. Viewed from the street the tower looked as if the top of the tower was on fire. Inquiry brings the information that the contractor has plastered the tower, and a big cauldron has been placed on the top floor and a fire built to keep the plaster from drying.

In connection with our wholesale department we have added a line of leather goods, especially for the trade, consisting of Leather Toilet (Traveling) Bags of all styles in Saddle and Grain Leather. In complete line of travelers and to goods. All at Decatur Trunk and Box Factory, 200 North Water street.

The 2-year-old steer, King, owned by J H. Potts & Son, at Jacksonville, awarded all the first prizes to which was eligible at the Chicago fat stock show, and also a special prize offered by Mr. Gillette, of Elkhart, and the stakes for best short horn exhibited.

The funeral of the late Mrs. T. A. Quinn will take place on Saturday afternoon at one o'clock from St. Patrick's Catholic church.

PERSONAL MENTION

Hon. Jason Rogers has returned from Chicago.

Edwin Ewing left to-day for his home in Chicago.

H. N. Fullinwider went to Pana to-day on business.

Miss Dana Haws, of Tipton, Ind., is the guest of H. Fisk and family.

Mrs. W. R. Shall and Miss Etta Hale have returned from Chicago.

W. D. Stevens, the brickmason, is at Georgetown, Ill., visiting relatives.

Miss Emma Carter, of Assumption, is the guest of Miss Minnie S. Davis.

Claude Johnson of Chelton, Wash., was in the city visiting relatives yesterday.

Frank Zimmerman, of Chicago, is in the city visiting his brother, O. J. Zimmerman.

Miss Gertrude Hanna arrived home to-day from a visit with relatives in Springfield.

Mrs. J. M. Huff arrived home to-day from a visit with relatives in Cerro Gordo.

Mrs. M. Einstein has gone to Louisville, Ky., to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Maris arrived home to-day from a visit with relatives in Bloomington.

Mrs. E. B. Holman, of Peoria, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Shellabarger.

Miss Daisy Dodson, a student at Knoxville, will spend the holidays at her home in this city.

Miss Minnie Lehman, who has been visiting relatives in Taylorville, arrived home to-day.

Mrs. C. N. Wagenseller and Mrs. Dr. Brandon have returned from a visit with relatives in Lafayette.

Supervisor John H. Miller, whose daughter was married Wednesday night, was present at the meeting of the county board to-day.

Rev. W. C. Miller will leave Monday morning for northern New York, where he will officiate December 28th at the marriage of Mrs. Miller's sister, Miss Carrie Porter.

Dr. C. A. McLean made a professional trip to Fayette and Macon Wednesday to see Mrs. Henry Boddy at the first place and Mrs. T. N. Leavitt at the latter. Mrs. Leavitt is quite ill.

H. W. Beyer, of the Beyer Portrait company, arrived in the city yesterday to look after the burial of H. D. Etheridge, his salesman, who died suddenly of asthma at the Bevere House Wednesday morning.

Miss Jessie Mills has resigned her position at Geo. W. Powers' shoe store to accept the position of book-keeper for the Columbia Clothing Co. She has been succeeded at Powers' by her sister, Miss Villa Mills.

Robert Howell and wife of Lovington, are guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Howell at the corner of Church and Green streets. Mr. Howell is suffering from the effects of injuries received a few days ago by a horse falling on him.

Rev. C. E. Torrey left to-day for Lincoln, Ill., where he will deliver a lecture before the Christian Endeavor Union tonight. Rev. W. H. Penhalligon had been engaged to deliver the talk but owing to a disfigured eye was unable to attend and Rev. Torrey kindly consented to go as a substitute.

The Kentucky Colonel

The combined names of McKee Rankin and Frederick Bryton in themselves should be sufficient to draw a large house to the Grand to-morrow night. The play in which they are now appearing, "The Kentucky Colonel," make a hit when played here last October. It is somewhat after the style of Alabama. In the homely scenes of the last named play there are characters depicted which bear a very strong resemblance to a number of those in "The Kentucky Colonel."

The plot, is of course, different. It is the pursuit of the play to depict the life of the Kentuckian in all his phases, and more particularly in that one which has a relation to the once honored feud. It is a play which appeals to the intelligent audience and an artistic one. The company supporting the joint stars is an excellent one. Already Messrs. Rankin and Bryton have added another to the long list of their successful character performances.

"The coming Othello" is the estimate one Detroit critic placed on the performance of that character by Robert Downing, America's favorite tragedian, who will be seen in the great Shakespearean role at the Grand opera house next Thursday. Mr. Downing is supported by a large and powerful company of 21 people, and he gives the great Shakespearean masterpiece a handsome stage setting, with splendid special scenery and gorgeous costuming.

The regular monthly institute of the teachers of Danville will be held at the High school on Saturday, the 17th. Prof. E. A. Gastman, of this city, will deliver a lecture; subject, "Visitors of a Teacher," and Prof. H. J. Gaertner, of the Danville schools, will also read a paper.

Rev. Geo B Vosburgh will lecture in the First Baptist church, Tuesday evening, December 20th, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E., from the subject, "Europe, As I Saw It." Admission, 25 cents. Tickets for sale at Saxton & Apprew's book store. d16-dtf

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Some Curious Experiences in Getting Money—Officers Elected.

Last night the Women's Relief Corps had its experience meeting and supper at the court room. Each one of the forty members, according to arrangement, was to bring and contribute to the funds of the corps fifty cents and tell how she earned the money, in open meeting. Many of the members obeyed orders and some of the experiences were amusing. One of them said she kissed her husband, and earned her 50 cents in that way. Another sister said her husband had a pair of shoes, that in her opinion did not quite suit him, and she sold them for 60 cents. Another sister sold her husband's boots in about the same old-blooded way for 50 cents. Another charged her husband 50 cents for sewing on a single button; but the labor of catching and holding him while she attached the button she threw in; some sold pop corn, some did washing, some did sewing, while others sold eggs. One sister bet her husband 10 cents that she would sell fifty meal tickets for the Baptist church fair, and won the bet.

The oyster supper was good and was well patronized, and the cords did well financially. During the evening there was music and some speaking. All enjoyed themselves, especially some young misses who organized themselves into a napkin corps for amusement.

The corps at its last meeting elected officers for the coming year as follows: President, Mrs. Maggie Sutton; S. V. President, Mrs. Elizabeth McIntosh; J. V. President, Mrs. Mary Wackerly; Treasurer, Mrs. Carrie E. Spore; Chairman, Mrs. Myra Lowry; Conductor, Mrs. Smeral. Other officers will be appointed when the new officers are installed.

The Grey Mare.

At the Grand on Monday evening Daniel Frohman will present for the first time in this city Sims & Raleigh's highly successful comedy, "The Grey Mare." The play had remarkable runs both in London and at the Lyceum Theatre, New York. The title refers not to the proverb about the better horse, but to a real animal of blonde complexion on which the younger of the three brothers attends to the abduction of his lady love. Meanwhile the eldest of the three, a grave young doctor, has lectured the object of his affections on the responsibility of untruthfulness. She on the other hand claims, that as the truth can not always be told, a little fib is always useful and sometimes not without merit when skilfully conceived and executed. The Doctor scoffs; he says anybody can lie, and determined to prove it, later he begins to talk about an imaginary ride he has taken. The details of it chance to fit his brother's adventure, and the most complex and absurd misunderstandings follow, involving everybody in the neighborhood and threatens to wreck divers once happy homes. The plot snags a dramatic and humorous Willie Collins, and from the rise of the curtain to the final scene the audience is tickled by the complications that surround the hero.

Excursion Date Changed.

The P. D. & E. Ry will run an excursion to Peoria the 20th of December, instead of 21st as heretofore advertised. T. PENNELL.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted for daily market reports and gossip given by B. Z. Taylor, who fills all orders promptly by direct wire, CHICAGO, Ill., Dec 18, 1892.

ARTICLES.	Op'n	High	Low	Closing
WHEAT—				
Dec.	71 1/4	71 1/4	70	70 1/4
Jan.	72 1/4	72 1/4	70 3/4	70 3/4
May.	72 1/4	72 1/4	70	70 3/4
CORN—				
Dec.	42 1/4	42 1/4	41 1/4	42
Jan.	42 1/4	42 1/4	41 1/4	42 1/4
May.	41 1/4	41 1/4	40 1/4	41 1/4
OATS—				
Dec.	30 1/4	30 1/4	30	30
Jan.	31 1/4	31 1/4	31	31
May.	32 1/4	32 1/4	31 1/4	32
PORE—				
Dec.	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4
Jan.	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4
May.	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4
LARD—				
Dec.	9 85	9 90	9 85	9 90
Jan.	9 85	9 90	9 85	9 90
May.	9 85	9 90	9 85	9 90
RIBS—				
Dec.	8 50	8 50	8 47	8 40
Jan.	8 50	8 50	8 47	8 40
May.	8 50	8 50	8 47	8 40

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOADS.

Wheat, all grades, 164, Contract, 10.

Corn, all grades, 227, Contract, 51.

Oats, all grades, 165, Contract, 26.

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS.

Hogs 25,000; 10c higher.

Cattle 8,000, strong.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 210, Corn, 250; Oats, 190.

Hogs 15,000.

Wheat declines 1c, corn 1/4c, oats very steady.

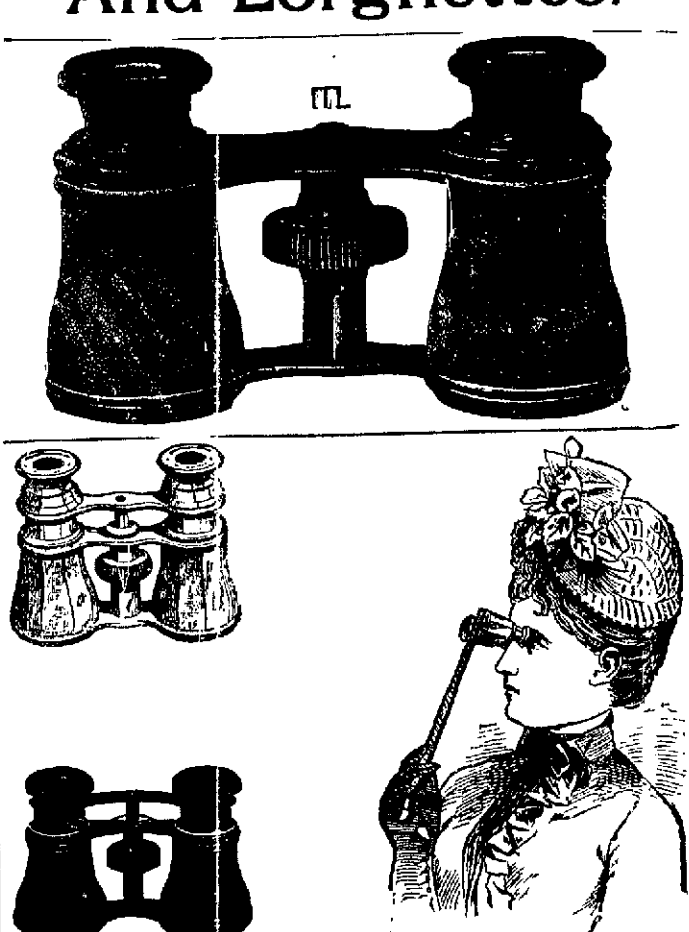
Reports of stringent money market in New York.

Long wheat came freely and it is believed that much of it came from the elevator. It is stated that a single holder dumped 2,000,000 bushels.

Chicago is now 3 1/4c above St. Louis, but 3 1/4c below New York, more than 5c above Duluth and 8 1/4c above Minneapolis for May delivery. Admitting that our bag variable will diminish 50 per cent faster than the average of former years, we should still have over 45,000,000 bushels next July. The wheat supply promises to reach 50,000,000 bushels this season.

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And Lorgnettes.



We have recently opened a very large importation of these goods and are offering very decided bargains in them, PEARL, MOROCCO, SILVER AND ALLUMINUM.

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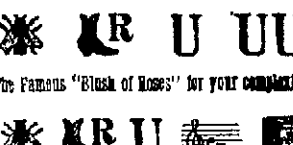
LESS THAN WHOLESALE

Ferriss & Lapham have a big lot of Men's Calf Shoes, which they must unload. The shoes in question are cut out of Prime American Calfskin, have solid sole, smooth inner-sole. This shoe retails everywhere at \$3. and wholesales to the closest buyers at \$2.25 per pair. If you want a pair of these shoes Ferriss & Lapham will sell them to you at **\$1.90** per pair.


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Holiday Rates.

The L. D. & W. Ry will sell excursion tickets to all points on its line and to points on lines named below, at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold December 24, 25, 26 and 31, and January 1 and 2, good returning until January 3: C. C. & St. L. Ry. C. & E. L. C. H. & D. E. & T. H. L. E. & W. L. N. A. & C. and P. St. L. E. C. C. G. Donnan.

Tkt. Agt. L. D. & W. Ry.

FOR the Christmas and New Year's Holidays the L. D. & W. Ry will sell tickets to all points on this system at one and one-third fare for round trip. Tickets will be sold Dec. 24, 25 and 31st, Jan. 1st and 2d, good to return Jan. 3d inclusive. In addition to selling at this rate, the L. D. & W. Ry will sell tickets on the following lines: The Vandalla line C. & P. L. C. H. & D. E. & T. H. L. E. & W. L. N. A. & C. and P. St. L. E. C. C. G. Donnan.

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